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SOVIET ACQUISITION OF A POLISH CIPHER TELEGRAM (1944) 111676

From: OTTAWA

To: MOSCOW

No: 53

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To the DIRECTOR.

Herewith the cipher text of a telegram which was addressed to the Polish [1 group unrecovered] [a] in OTTAWA, but which came to us by mistake. It is possible that in the [OK appropriate] department [2 groups unrecovered] cipher [5 groups unrecovered].

[5 groups unrecovered]

MIA [1 group unrecovered] [OK 5] CABLE KCI MO LONDON POLGOVT LONDON 136. 1 [2 groups unrecovered]. 13. [1 group unrecovered] R. PARFIL MILITPOL OTTAWA [2 groups unrecovered]. [3 groups unrecovered] the text in order to be [OK quite sure] here are the first two groups: 74369 and 15576.

[The cipher text of the telegram follows, consisting of 134 five-digit groups]

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GRANT[1]

Notes: [a] Possibly corrupt for "Military Mission".

Comment: [1] GRANT: Colonel Nikola; I. ZABOTIN, Soviet Military Attaché in OTTAWA.

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